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PASS DIRECTOR, NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE

SUMMARY: ON APRIL 15 IN TOKYO (APRIL 29 IN MOSCOW IN 1974), JAPAN AND USSR REACHED AGREEMENT ON SALMON AND HERRING REGULATIONS IN NORTHWEST PACIFIC OCEAN FOR 1975. AGREEMENT INITIALED ON APRIL 17 BY FUJITA FOR JAPAN AND NIKONOROV FOR USSR. ACCORDING TO PRESS, AGREEMENT PROVIDES FOR SALMON QUOTA OF 87,000 METRIC TONS FOR JAPAN (REDUCTION OF 4,000 TONS FROM COMPARABLE 1973 SEASON) AND 10,000 METRIC TONS FOR USSR (SAME AS IN 1973). AREAS CLOSED UNCLASSIFIED

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TO SALMON FISHING AND SEASON FOR CLOSED AREAS ESSENTIALLY UNCHANGED FROM 1974 AS REPORTED REFTEL. USSR HAS WITHHELD ITS ORIGINAL PROPOSALS CALLING FOR (1) EXPANSION OF CLOSED AREAS (2) REDUCTION OF JAPANESE FLEETS FROM 10 TO 9 AND (3)

ENTRY OF USSR PATROLBOATS INTO ZONE B.
NEXT MEETING OF COMMISSION WILL CONVENE IN MOSCOW MARCH 15, 1976.
ON THE OTHER HAND, JAPAN-USSR NEGOTIATIONS ON CRAB AND SNAIL
FISHING FOR 1975, CONVENED MARCH 1 IN MOSCOW, REPORTEDLY
REACHED AGREEMENT ON APRIL 16. END SUMMARY.

ACCORDING TO PRESS, "SUISAN KEIZAI SHIMBU" AND "SUISAN TSUSHIN"
OF APRIL 17, FINAL AGREEMENT ON THE 19TH MEETING OF THE JAPAN-
SOVIET COMMISSION FOR THE FISHERIES IN THE NORTHWEST PACIFIC
OCEAN FOR 1975 IS:

SALMON

1. HIGH SEAS QUOTA:

87,000 METRIC TONS FOR JAPAN (91,000 TONS IN 1973).
10,000 METRIC TONS FOR USSR (10,000 TONS IN 1973).

2. CLOSED AREAS:

THE FOLLOWING MEASURES APPLICABLE ONLY IN 1975 WILL BE TAKEN:

(1) ZONE A

A. CENTRAL AREA OF THE PACIFIC OCEAN:

A-1. CLOSED FROM MAY 15 THROUGH JUNE 25 IN AN AREA BETWEEN
46 DEG N AND 53 DEG 50'N AND BETWEEN 160 DEG E AND 164 DEG E.
(SAME AS IN 1974).

A. LIMITED TO THREE MOTHERSHIP FLEETS FROM MAY 15
THROUGH JUNE 20 IN AN AREA BETWEEN 46 DEG N AND 53 DEG 50'N
AND BETWEEN 164 DEG E AND 168 DEG E.
(SAME AS IN 1974)

B. SOUTH OF ANADYR:

CLOSED FROM JULY 1 TO THE END OF FISHING
SEASON IN AN AREA BETWEEN 60 DEG N AND 62 DEG N AND
BETWEEN 175 DEG E AND 180 DEG E. (SAME AS IN 1974)

(2) ZONE B

A. CENTRAL AREA OF THE PACIFIC OCEAN:

LIMITED TO 150 FISHING VESSELS FROM APRIL 30
THROUGH MAY 30 IN AN AREA BETWEEN 42 DEG N AND 45 DEG N
AND BETWEEN 160 DEG E AND 164 DEG E. (SAME AS IN 1974)
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B. SOUTH OF THE KURILES:

LIMITED TO 100 FISHING VESSELS FROM APRIL 30
THROUGH MAY 30 IN AN AREA BETWEEN 40 DEG N AND
NORTHERN BORDER OF ZONE B AND BETWEEN 150 DEG E AND
154 DEG E. (SAME AS IN 1974).

3. RED SALMON FISHING RESTRICTION:

CATCH OF RED SALMON IN ZONE A SHOULD BE LESS THAN 5.4 MILLION
FISH. (LESS THAN 6 MILLION FISH IN 1974). OF A TOTAL OF THE
5.4 MILLION FISH, CATCH IN AN AREA NORTH OF 48 DEG N AND WEST OF
165 DEG E SHOULD BE LESS THAN 1.5 MILLION FISH. (LESS THAN 1.8
MILLION FISH IN 1974).

HERRING

1. A TOTAL NUMBER OF COMMERCIAL HERRING FISHING VESSELS FOR RESEARCH PURPOSE SHOULD BE 13 VESSELS IN 1975 AND 12 VESSELS IN 1976. (14 VESSELS IN 1974). OF THE 13 VESSELS IN 1975, 3 VESSELS IN THE KORFO-KARAGINSKII AREA IN 1975 (5 VESSELS IN 1974) AND 3 VESSELS IN 1976, 3 VESSELS BOTH IN 1975 AND 1976 IN THE GIZHIGA-KAMCHATKA AREA (3 VESSELS IN 1974), AND 7 VESSELS IN 1975 AND 6 VESSELS IN 1976 IN THE OKHOTSK SEA (6 VESSELS IN 1974),
2. OTHER EXISTING RESTRICTIONS SUCH AS THE LENGTH LIMIT, ETC. WILL BE CONTINUED.

OTHER

1. RESTRICTIONS ON TRAWL FISHING OFF WEST KAMCHATKA WILL REMAIN UNCHANGED. (E.G. TRAWL FISHING IS BANNED FROM APRIL 15 THROUGH AUGUST 25 IN WATERS SHALLOWER THAN 100 METERS BETWEEN 53 DEG N AND 58 DEG N.)
2. PATROLLING IN ZONE B WILL BE CONDUCTED IN THE SAME WAY AS IN THE PAST, E.G. JAPANESE AND SOVIET ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS BOARD JAPANESE PATROLBOATS.
3. THE 20TH MEETING OF THE COMMISSION WILL BE CONVENED ON MARCH 15, 1976, IN MOSCOW. HODGSON UNQUOTE KISSINGER

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